commercialised to a greater extent. In such a situation, we are facing serious problems. Sir, at the time of 93rd amendment, which was passed by this august House, the Government-ensured that new provisions would not be misused for privatisation or commercialisation. Similarly, with regard to the differential fee structure, which is prevalent in this country, I would like to say that the private colleges are charging even Rs. 3,30,000 as fee.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question please.

SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Sir, in such a situation, the Government has to come out with a comprehensive legislation. There are so many court verdicts that are contrary, and, the more talented and meritorious students are being kept out of the educational system. Will the Government come out with a comprehensive legislation in order to ensure that the poor students, meritorious students in this country get education? That is my question.

SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI: Sir, UGC is the...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Not the UGC...*(Interruptions)*...The Government has to...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Let the question be answered. ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRIMATI D. PURANDESWARI: Sir, the UGC is the competent body that can actually give regulations pertaining to the education. ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Sir, it is not the UGC..*(Interruptions)*... In this august House, there was an assurance. ...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Please, please. ...*(Interruptions)*... Let the question be answered. ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI A. VIJAYARAGHAVAN: Sir, the Government has to ensure that the education. ...*(Interruptions)*... No profit-making...*(Interruptions)*... A comprehensive legislation is...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Uniform education system

†*104. SHRI SHATRUGHAN SINHA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government agree with Bihar Government's scheme to implement a uniform education system;

(b) if so, whether Government intend to provide necessary funds to the State Government for implementing the said scheme;

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†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) whether any proposal has been received from the State Government in this regard; and

(d) if so, Government's policy in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARJUN SINGH): (a) Government is not aware of any such scheme of the Government of Bihar with regard to implementing a uniform education system.

(b) to (d) Do not arise.

Delimitation of constituencies

*105. SHRI SHANTARAM LAXMAN NAIK: Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) Whether the De-limitation Commission has completed the task of delimiting Assembly and Parliamentary Constituencies in the Country;

(b) if not, the States in which the de-limitation has been completed;

(c) the States where the de-limitation process is continuing at various stages;

(d) by which date the Commission is expected to submit its report;

(e) whether the Government are rethinking on de-limitation and whether the process is likely to be started *de novo*;

(f) whether population criteria adopted by the Commission has been found to be counterproductive and undesirable; and

(g) if so, the details thereof;

THE MINISTER OF LAW AND JUSTICE (SHRI H.R. BHARDWAJ): (a) No, Sir.

(b) The Delimitation Commission has so far issued Orders in respect of 25 States/ Union Territories, namely, Kerala, Tripura, Mizoram, Goa, Pondicherry. Rajasthan, West Bengal, Punjab, Maharashtra, Sikkim, National Capital Territory of Delhi, Chhattisgarh, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Orissa, Uttaranchal, Himachal Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Haryana, Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Meghalaya, Tamil Nadu, Bihar and Jharkhand.

(c) The High Court of Guwahati has passed its two different interim orders to suspend the delimitation work in Arunachal Pradesh and Assam. The High court of Guwahati in another interim order directed the delimitation Commission not to publish the final order in respect of Nagaland. Further, in respect of the State of Manipur the work of delimitation has been resumed after the stay given by the Hon'ble Supreme Court on the order dated 19-01-2007 of the Guwahati High Court.

(d) The term of the Delimitation Commission has been extended till 31st July, 2008 to complete its work.

(e) Does not arise.

(f) and (g) The population criteria for undertaking delimitation have been set down by the Parliament itself. Government has, however, received representations